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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 6,071,766, granted June 6, 2000, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled METHOD FOR FABRICATING SEMICONDUCTOR THIN FILM

the specification of which

☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on April 20, 2001 as reissue application number 09/838,216
and was amended on _____.

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I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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Applicant's inadvertently included the feature of the silicon nitride as an etching stopper in the claims of the original patent. This feature is not necessary for patentability and narrows the claims below a scope which the inventors had a right to claim in the patent. This feature is not recited in the new independent claims of this reissue patent application.

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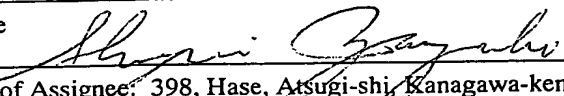
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<p>I hereby declare that:</p> <p>My residence and mailing address and citizenship are stated below next to my name.</p> <p>I am authorized to act on behalf of the following assignee: <u>Semiconductor Energy Laboratory Co., Ltd.</u></p> <p>and the title of my position with said assignee is: <u>President</u></p> <p>The entire title to the patent identified below is vested in said assignee.</p>		
Name of Patentee(s): <u>YAMAZAKI et al.</u>		
Patent Number <u>6,071,766</u>	Date of Patent Issued <u>June 6, 2000</u>	
Title of Invention <u>METHOD FOR FABRICATING SEMICONDUCTOR THIN FILM</u>		
<p>I believe said patentee(s) to be the original, first and sole/joint inventor(s) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in said patent, for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled</p> <p><u>METHOD FOR FABRICATING SEMICONDUCTOR THIN FILM</u></p>		
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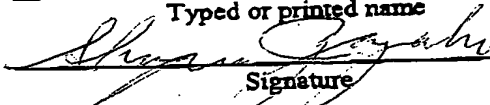
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